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TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

Was Drunk.—Ole Nelson imbibed too much of the stuff that made Milwaukee famous, Sunday night, and becoming too noisy for his health, was allowed to rest awhile in the city bastille. Yesterday afternoon he appeared before Judge Anderson in the police court and was fined the sum of \$20 for his fun.

Business and Pleasure.—J. W. Doane, of Ilwaco, was in the city last evening on his way to Portland to have a visit with Mrs. Doane, who is now there adjusting a fire loss. A flat building which she owns in Portland was almost destroyed by fire last week, but the damage, about \$2500, was covered by insurance. Mr. Doane will be away from home a week.

New Suit Filed.—Suit was filed in the county clerk's office yesterday, by Fulton Brothers, against John Reed, for the recovery of \$179, alleged to be due and unpaid. The items of indebtedness claimed by plaintiffs cover \$150, attorney's fees in the suit of Martin versus Reed; \$25 attorney's fees in the suit of Reed versus Reed; four dollars due as balance on money advanced by plaintiffs, and \$2.50 for legal service in other relations.

Disinter Remains.—Coroner Pohl yesterday received a telegram from C. F. Lehn of McCook, Neb., stating that he would start for this city at once to take charge of the remains of his brother, Joseph Lehn, who died suddenly last week in this city of heart trouble. The remains of the deceased were interred Saturday as it was

thought that the man had no relatives, and now that the brother is coming west after the body, Coroner Pohl states that he will disinter the body and prepare it for shipment to Nebraska.

From Alaska.—Theodore Johnson, who formerly lived in Astoria, arrived in this city this week from Fairbanks, Alaska, where he is a merchant of that enterprising northern city. After visiting a short time here with old friends, Mr. Johnson will leave for the east on a business trip.

To Be Installed.—On January 17th, Rev. W. S. Gilbert will be formally installed as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in this city. At that time a number of prominent Presbyterian ministers from different parts of the State will be here to witness the installation.

Noon Fire.—At high noon yesterday a fire was discovered in the basement of the home of W. J. Barry, at Franklin and Seventh streets. It caught in the clean-out hole in the basement and worked its way upward, burning the floor above and badly scorching the back of a fine upright piano and the adjacent walls. The department responded to the alarm in good fashion. Chemical No. 1 and Hose No. 1, being ordered out. The fire was subdued by the chemical apparatus in prompt style. The loss could not be ascertained. The neighbors took a helpful turn with convenient buckets.

Boundary Dispute.—District Attorney Harrison Allen has returned from Portland where he conferred with Attorney-General Crawford in regard to the suit of the State of Washington against Oregon for the settlement of the disputed boundary line in the Columbia river. Attorney Allen and Attorney-General Crawford are preparing their answers to the complaint of the Washington authorities, which when prepared will set forth the contentions of this State, and attempt to show where the true boundary line runs. Washington alleges that the line runs close to the Oregon shore, and if the claim is established, will include part of the harbor of Astoria. The hearing of the case will come up in a short time before the United States Supreme Court at Washington, D. C. The State of Washington is represented by Attorneys E. V. McDonald, J. D. Atkinson, R. F. Booth, and A. J. Falknor.

Spoiled Her Beauty.—Harriet Howard, of New York, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. 25c at Chas. Rogers, drug store.

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BADLY MISTAKEN.

It has been reported to this office that some of the soldiers posted at Fort Stevens have been hunting broadcast over the neighboring territory without having first taken out the hunter's licenses prescribed by the State laws; and that when called to task for the transgression have pleaded strenuously that "their commanding officer had told them, that as soldiers they were not amenable to the laws regarding hunter's licenses on the reservation or off of it" and a good deal more in the same vein. If this is so, these men are badly informed, and it is hard to understand how any officer could give them such untoward counsel. It is absurd, upon its face, and a trial at bar would soon convince an offending soldier, or officer, either, that the law does operate against them as well as against any other citizen. The Astorian is inclined to the belief that whatever soldiers used the excuse, did it in default of any better plea for their transgression, and it does not take any stock in the official authority quoted by them. Officers of the sort in command at these forts are not liable to disparage the discipline set up by the State for the regulation of all men within its jurisdiction, nor are they likely to invoke an immunity that does not, and never did, exist. The Astorian "will have to be shown" in this matter.

WILL SEE CENTURY YET.

Notable Citizen of Astoria Reaches Eighty-Fourth Year.

Yesterday was "Jackson Day," the great Democratic annual season for banquets and political pow-wows and subsequent subsidence, etc.; it was, also, the birthday of a remarkable and valued citizen of Astoria, whose only affiliation with the Democracy lies in the fact that the calendar makes his natal day and the great president's, identical. Almerin Montgomery reached his eighty-fourth milestone yesterday. He was born near Albany, New York, on January 8, 1822, and for fifty-three of these years he has been a good and serviceable citizen of this city and county, having come here in 1852, across the plains.

He is a fine specimen of well-preserved, cheerful, hopeful old age, without an organic ailment, or even a transient ill, to hamper him, the direct result of a wholesome clean, regular, out-door existence in the best climate on earth, and holds an obvious chance of attaining the rounded century of mortal life. He has but sixteen paltry years to fill out, and there are none to deny him far more, yet, than that since there is nothing in his present physical status and style to operate as a barrier.

His father claimed direct descent from the General Montgomery who fell at Quebec and the claim is quite justifiable by the records upon which the elder Montgomery predicated the claim. The Astoria patriarch does not lay any particular stress on this distinction save, at it goes to establish the downright good quality of his forbears.

Mr. Montgomery is the last of his race. He says he is just a "lone, orphan boy," without kith or kin, making his way in life the best he can; and his best is a very comfortable and easy-going sort. He enjoys a competency wrought in his working days and takes the years as they come, with bright and cheery quiescence and a modest effort to make things pleasant for others wherever, and whenever, he can. He has done political duty for Astoria and Clatsop, serving as sheriff, customs inspector, pilot commissioner and justice, and what he doesn't know of Astoria, her history, her people, her struggles, successes and failures, would fill a mighty small record.

He remembers Portland when there were not 500 people in her confines nor a made street to mark her public ways; he has read the Oregonian as a subscriber, for a half century; he helped found the Marine Gazette of this city, now the Astorian, and has subscribed, and paid, for it, ever since, and he knew every editor out here in early days.

All these are but notes, incidental comments, on the long and busy career of a citizen always conspicuous for his faith in, and loyalty to, the city of Astoria and the County of Clatsop, and are made in the running, so to speak, and while the Astorian deplores its inability to give a full compendium of Mr. Montgomery's career, it does most gladly congratulate him upon his attainment to a ripe, hearty and healthy old age, and hopes he may know many and happy years yet, in the community he has helped to make, and which counts him among its conspicuous and honored leaders and fellows. It will gladly herald, and make due record, of his centennial birthday, the late honored and lamented Andrew Jackson to the contrary notwithstanding.

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We have moved to 336 Tenth street, corner of Grand avenue, and can be found there at any time, for hauling and draying purposes.

R. C. McINTOSH.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWO.

Registration in Clatsop county to date numbers just 102 entries, as follows (in the city): Precinct No. 1, 1; No. 2, 18; No. 3, 23; No. 4, 24; No. 5, 20; No. 6, 7; No. 7, 9. Total 90; from county precincts, 12.

Shorthand School.

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Portland, Jan. 12th and 13th.
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